DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

744 P Street, Sacramento, California 95814



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ALL-COUNTY INFORMATION NOTICE NO. I-104-00

REASON FOR THIS TRANSMITTAL

[] State Law Change

[] Federal Law or Regulation Change

[] Court Order

[] Clarification Requested by One or More Counties

[] Initiated by CDSS

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

ALL COUNTY WELFARE SERVICES PROGRAM MANAGERS

ALL COUNTY WELFARE SERVICES SUPERVISORS ALL COUNTY WELFARE ELIGIBILITY SUPERVISORS

ALL CAL-WORKS ELIGIBILITY SUPERVISORS ALL KINSHIP CARE UNIT SUPERVISORS

ALL CHIEF PROBATION OFFICERS

KINSHIP SUPPORT SERVICES PROGRAM DIRECTORS

ADOPTIONS DISTRICT OFFICES

SUBJECT: KINSHIP GUARDIANSHIP ASSISTANCE PAYMENT PROGRAM TRAINING

The California Department of Social Services will begin training on Senate Bill (SB) 1901 (Chapter 1055, Statutes of 1998) and SB 2876 (Chapter 108, Statutes of 2000) which established the Kinship Guardianship Assistance Payment (KinGAP) Program. The purpose of the training is to assist counties with understanding the intent of the legislation and to address implementation issues related to local program development. This training is designed for administrators, managers, and supervisors in child welfare and foster care eligibility.

We strongly encourage counties to send staff to this important training. The agenda for this one day training from 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. includes:

- HISTORY OF KINSHIP CARE IN CALIFORNIA
- WHAT WE KNOW ABOUT CALIFORNIA RELATIVE CAREGIVERS
- RELATIVE CAREGIVERS AND CHILDREN IN THEIR CARE, SUPPORT PROGRAMS THAT WORK
- MYTHS & LEGENDS REGARDING KinGAP
- KinGAP IMPLEMENTATION OVERVIEW
- CHALLEGES TO IMPLEMENATION

Training schedule and locations are as follows:

11/15/00	Sacramento
11/28/00	Redding
11/30/00	Eureka (IF WE GET A MINIMUM OF 25 REGISTRATIONS)
12/5/00 12/6/00 12/8/00	Los Angeles Los Angeles Los Angeles
1/10/01	Fresno
1/30/01	San Diego
1/31/01	Riverside
2/7/01	Bay Area - Santa Clara or Alameda
2/8/01	Bay Area - Opposite site see above
2/22/01	San Luis Obispo

California State University, Sacramento will be handling the registrations. Please call 1-800-858-7743 or (916) 278-4960 to register. If you have other questions regarding this KinGAP training, please contact Teresa Contreras, Manager, Kinship Care Policy Unit, at (916) 445-0813.

Sincerely,

Original Signed by Patricia Aguiar for

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